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ORDER

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Agency

Region 2

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DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY - TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT

12-29. Lead Exposure Reduction Grants and Cooperative Agreements

- 1. <u>PURPOSE</u>: This Order redelegates certain authorities conferred on the Regional Administrator by Delegation 12-29 of the EPA Delegations Manual.
- 2. <u>AUTHORITY</u>: Pursuant to Title IV, Section 404(g) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), to approve grants and cooperative agreements with states, territories, and Indian Governing Bodies to develop, carry out authorized programs to administer and enforce the standards, regulations and other requirements established under Sections 402 and 406 of TSCA.
- 3. <u>TO WHOM REDELEGATED</u>: The Director of Caribbean Environmental Protection Division and the Director of the Division of Enforcement and Compliance Assistance.
- 4. <u>FURTHER REDELEGATION</u>: This authority may not be further redelegated.
- 5. <u>LIMITATION</u>: Grants and cooperative agreements to Indian Governing Bodies cannot be approved pursuant to Section 404(g) until promulgation of final regulations that provide Indian Governing Bodies will be treated in the same manner as States.

6. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES:

- a. 40 CFR 35.693, the final regulation providing Indian Governing Bodies will be treated in the same manner as States with respect to TSCA 404(g) grants, promulgated on January 16, 2001.
- b. Requirements of 40 CFR Chapter I, Subchapter B, Grants and Other Federal Assistance, as applicable; other applicable program regulations, Federal assistance statutes, including the Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act, P.L. No. 95-224, as amended, 31 USC § 6301 et seq.; EPA's Assistance Administration Manual, and the requirements of EPA Order Series 5700.
- c. Region 2's standard operating procedures (SOPs) that set forth division-specific concurrence and approval protocols for processing funding recommendations and commitment notices in the Integrated Grants Management System (IGMS). For agreements funded with monies from outside the project officer's division, the SOPs require that the funds controllers in those divisions with budget authority be included in the IGMS commitment notice concurrence chain. In addition, Project Officers should consult the SOPs for the organization where the funds originated.

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- d. EPA Delegation 1-14-A, which gives the authority to execute grants and cooperative agreements to Regional Administrators, who may further redelegate.
- 7. <u>SUPERSESSION</u>: This redelegation supersedes Regional Order R-1200 (redelegation of 12-29) dated April 19, 2004.

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